
Title: The Origin of Kryste Part One

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A book written in blood and bound in human skin. Held together by 4 grizzly bear teeth. You see a sketch of a wolf's head hastily done in blood I was born in Britain to an unwed mother, you can say she was a whore. Despite her profession, she was ashamed of giving birth to me because she had no idea who my father was. So she tried to keep my existance a secret. She would lock me in the closest whenever someone would come into her chamber, like the Madam or a "customer". But soon my cries became too loud to conceal, and the sound of a baby crying turned many of the men who came to my mother's chamber away, so she lost a lot of business. She had to choose between me and her business, and of course, being the selfish woman that she was chose her business. One day, when I was not even 6 months old, she wrapped me up in blankets along with a lot of bloody raw meat and carried me deep into the forest of Britain, hoping that

some wild creature would devour me whole. Soon enough, a grizzly bear found me. But instead of making me her next feast, she licked me clean and brought me to her den and nursed me like I was one of her own cubs My new "parents" constantly had company in their Den, and it wasn't limited to only other grizzly bears. As I was growing up, I learned the languages of many of the other inhabitants of the forest, cougars, bears, wolves, and even the less intellegent tribes such as the pigs, cows, and chickens. I easily made friends with them all, and I didn't even give it a thought that I looked different from them. Actually, I believed that I was a grizzly bear like my adoptive mother and father. And that's how I spent most of my early childhood. When I was 6 years old, I went out on a fateful hunt with my parents. It started out fine, and I still remember the pride in my father's eyes when I tore apart a boar with my bare hands. But while we were enjoying our feast, the unfamilar words "Corp Por" came almost out of no where like a lightning bolt came down from the sky and hit me, and my mother's lifeless body hit

the gound still shaking from the burst of pure energy. Before I could even react, I head an equally loud and still unfamilar "Kal Vas Flam" and my father burst into flames and hit the grownd as well, reduced to nothing but cinders and smoke. I stood there shaking, trying to brace for a similar fate. But instead, I looked up to see a face unlike any other I have seen before, but yet it was like mine, different. He had no fur, except for a on top of his head and a long mane on his face. And he also only stood on two feet, like I did. The one major diffrence was his size, and I was too small to resist him taking me into arms and carrying me to his home, but not before I managed to grab a few of my mother's fangs to remember her by. (I also fashioned them into a leather braclet as a symbol of both my blood and heritage a few years later.)

His name was Kyle

Nitte, a Grandmaster Mage and Scholar. In the next few years, he taught me about the others that walked on only two legs, like we did, "the human race", he called it. He also taught me a couple of their languages, how they acted, about their strange tradition of wearing skins on top of their own skins (clothes)., and many other things a "proper young lady" should know, reading, writing, arithmetic,, and even a little bit of magery and swordfighting. Meanwhile, I continued to develop my talent of learning the languages of the creatures that are different than myself. When I turned 16, Kyle told me that it was about time I should learn a trade, because it would be expensive to study magery. I agreed, and I looked into my skills to see what I can do to earn gold for my studies. I decided that I should take advantage of my gift of understanding the creatures of the forest. Some time ago I learned that not only was I able to understand their

language, but I also had an amazing "silver tounge" with them, and can almost always convince them to do whatever I desired. So I decided to try to convince a wolf to follow me into town. Successful, I walked him to the bank and was able to sell him to a younger person as a slave to do his bidding. I proudly walked home and showed Kyle the money I made by selling the wolf. He seemed pleased, but I would be able to make more gold by selling more powerful creatures. So he gave me two runes, one to the Artic Isle to tame polar bears and one to go back home, and also two recall scrolls since I did not know how to cast it by my own will yet. I thanked him and made my way to the Artic Isle. Soon enough I convinced 5 or 6 polar bears to follow me around. But what Kyle failed to tell me was that the bears would only be able to follow me through a magical gate, a spell which I was no where near powerful enough to cast at the time. I wandered about the Isle for a couple days, in search of someone

powerful enough to cast the spell. And that is how I came across a mysterious man named Victen Demacles. He told me that he could not cast the spell, but he knew someone that can. I followed him, until we came to a huge tower, made entirely of skulls.

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On the back of the book you see a rather odd shaped handprint, that apparently has claws. It also seems that the handprint was done in black blood.